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1. GOM DELEGATION TO JUNE MEETING BRASILIA CONTINUES TO BE PRINCIPAL MEXICAN AUTHORITIES AND SPOKESMEN IN WGSTT MATTERS, NAMELY: DR. GERARDO BUENO ZIRION, DIRECTOR GENERAL, CONACYT, AS HEAD OF DELEGATION; LIC. SANTIAGO MEYER PICON, DIRECTOR GENERAL INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION, SECRETARIAT OF FOREIGN RELATIONS, AS DEPUTY; DR. ENRIQUE MARTIN DEL CAMPO, DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, CONACYT, AS ALTERNATE OR SECOND DEPUTY TO HEAD OF DELEGATION; DR. MAURICIO MARIA Y CAMPOS, DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER FOR FOREIGN INVESTMENT. TO THESE HAVE BEEN ADDED THE FOLLOWING AS MEMBERS OF PRINCIPAL DELEGATION ON ALL WGSTT MATTERS: DR. ENRIQUE AGUILAR, DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER FOR THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY, SECRETARIAT OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE, AND DR. MIGUEL WIONCEK, ECONOMIST AND NEWSPAPER COLUMNIST, WHO VERY VOCAL ON TT MATTERS.

2. GOM REPS FOUR SUBGROUPS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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SUBGROUP I: DR. JOSE LUIS MOYA, ADVISER ON SCIENCE POLICY

FOR LAIN AMERICA, CONACYT;

SUBGROUP II: LINCENCIADA ROSA MARIA PENON, ECONOMIST, DIRECTION OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, CONACYT;

SUBGROUP III: DR. JORGE DUHALT, CHIEF OF THE UNIT FOR TT, CONACYT, AND LIC. ANDRES GURZA, CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT, NATIONAL REGISTER FOR TT.

SUBGROUP IV: DECISION NOT YET MADE AS TO GOM REP. HE MAY POSSIBLY BE DR. ENRIQUE MARTIN DEL CAMPO. DECISION COMPLICATED BY PRESENT STATUS GOM/GOC RELATIONS.

3. IN ABSENCE FROM MEXICO OF BUENO ZIRION AND MARTIN DEL CAMPO, EMBREP DISCUSSED SUBSTANCE REFTEL WITH LIC. MEYER PICON OF FONSECRETARIAT AND LIC. ALFREDO RAMIREZ ARAIZA, CONACYT, DEPUTY TO MARTIN DEL CAMPO; BOTH PLEASED AT US INTEREST CONSULT WITH GOM ON VARIOUS POINTS RAISED. HOWEVER, EACH STATED IN SEPARATE CONVERSATIONS THAT ONLY GOM DELEGATION HEAD MAY GIVE DEFINITIVE RESPONSE.

4. IN CONVERSATION OCTOBER 4 WITH MARTIN DEL CAMPO (JUST RETURNED FROM VISIT TO HABANA WITH EDUCATION MINISTER BRAVO AHUJA, WHERE CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION AGREEMENTS SIGNED) HE ADVISED WILL TAKE MATTER UP WITH BUENO (WHO ACCOMPANIED FONSECRETARY RABASA ON VISIT TO ALGIERS, AND HAS JUST RETURNED VIA BUENOS AIRES), AND BE ABLE GIVE BUENO'S RESPONSE EARLY NEXT WEEK.

5. MARTIN DEL CAMPO QUERIED WHY SCICOUNS COULD NOT BE US REP IN PROPOSED CONSULTATIONS, TO WHICH EMBREP REPLIED THAT PREFERABLE HAVE SENIOR OFFICER FROM WASHINGTON WHO FAMILIAR WITH ALL LATEST DEVELOPMENTS AND USG THINKING, ACCOMPANIED BY EMB OFFICER.

6. VIEW EXISTING COMMITMENTS PREFERABLE DATE FOR VISIT PROBABLY WILL BE MIDDLE TO LATE OCTOBER.

7. COMMENT: REFERENCE IN PRA 2(E) TO FOCAL POINT WITHIN USG FOR TT, TO INTERFACE WITH POSSIBLE INDIVIDUAL OR COLLECTIVE MECHANISMS OF THE LAS, AND AS EXPANDED IN PARA 3(D)(4) APPEARS BE QUITE SIMILAR TO GOM "SYSTEM FOR TT" AS PUT FORTH AT BRASILIA. THIS POINT MENTIONED IN CONVERSATIONS WITH GOM REPS. WHO EXPRESSED UNCLASSIFIED

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KEEN INTEREST IN DISCUSSING THIS CONCEPT AND OTHERS RELATED THERE TO WITH USG.
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